

BACK FROM TRIP--RSC Counselor, Dr. Betty Cotton

by Cynthia Fitzpatrick

Staff Writer

If an American were to visit the country of South Africa today, one would sense the enduring memory of that of the United States nearly 100 years in the past.

Though the black population in South Africa more than triples that of the white community, black natives find themselves with a burdensome abundance of set restrictions, including that of where they live and work and who they may speak with, setting them apart from the rest of the country's population.

This unprovidential reality seemed somewhat hidden at the moment Dr. Betty Cotton, counselor as well as instructor, and a close friend embarked on their adventure of the "beautiful" country.

As the world traveler exclaimed, "I had always wanted to go to South Africa. Yet, as the conditions were becoming worse, I began thinking that I may not have the opportunity once again."

As it happened, Cotton was soon aboard a jet to the country of South Africa where in the close vicinity wild animals of all kinds are seen roaming about in their natural habitat.

Although the political environment is so intense presently, the homeland natives are most at ease when expressing little about the situations. As Cotton remarked, "The people are very aware of what is happening in their country. It was assumed by the tourists and natives not to discuss the issue...to leave the political part of the visit to a minimum."

In the Christmas season from an open tour shuttle bus was where the sightseeing and traveling was primarily situated. "The weather was most often times warm and sun-shining," explained Cotton. "The scenery was beautiful and the flowers which were blooming were absolutely gorgeous!" Cotton continued.

"Communication between tourists and the black natives was limited to that of the complimentary sort; such as...that was a very nice performance. Or that was a fine dance."

The highlight of Cotton's South Africa visit was inside of Kruger National Park. "Now, I find difficulty in seeing any animal behind bars or gates," Cotton said. The animals in the park were able to roam free.

Animals such as cheetahs, tigers, lions, hyenas and great bulls were seen wondering about the land in a calm appearance.

Cotton explained that there was a moment in which herself and the six persons she was sightseeing with were almost killed by a wild elephant. "As our

shuttle approached the animal we all became very excited and asked the guide to please take us closer. At that time the elephant flapped its ears twice and began making motions to charge the bus." As she continued describing the scene, "We all began frantically screaming telling the guide to take us away. But he could not move anywhere...an African hornet had landed on the tip of his eyeglasses." (African hornets are known to cause blindness if they sting the eye.)

"Finally the hornet flew off and the driver was able to pull us far enough back to safety."

The tour of South Africa included stops to such cities as Johannesburg, Eastern Transvaal, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Victoria Falls and Plettenberg.

RSC counselor travels

to South Africa

during Christmas break



Jensen inspects colleges as member of select group



by Lee Scheide

Editor-in-Chief

In December of 1985, Rancho Santiago president, Dr. Robert Jensen, completed a trek that took him halfway across the globe and back in just seven days.

Traveling more than 8,000 miles, Jensen was a member of a six-man team of college presidents that were invited to the Republic of China (Taiwan) during the first week of December. The six men were chosen by the Community Colleges for International Development, Inc.

Taiwan is an island that lies about 80 miles off the coast of mainland China. The capital is Taipei, with an approximate population of 2.2 million.

The People's Republic was formed in 1949, when Chiang Kai-Shek was forced to flee mainland China after the Chinese Communists had overthrown his government.

Dr. Jensen's trip to the island was financed by the Ministry of Education and he was afforded the chance to mix in a little sightseeing into his busy schedule.

And, Dr. Jensen came home from the trip highly impressed with the educational system in Taiwan.

"I was very impressed with their commitment to excellence in education," Jensen said. "Education is Taiwan's main natural resource."

"The Taiwanese feel that their education system is the only way that they can compete with the rest of the world," he added. "Their education is what brought them to prominence."

According to the president of the Mingchi-Institute of Technology, Dr. Seh Chou Wen, only the top three percent of the students who compete on national examinations each year are accepted into universities to continue their studies.

"All the students must complete a cooperative work experience program as part of their major," Dr. Wen said. "Thus, upon graduation, the students already have extensive job experience in their chosen field and are usually hired by one of the companies they have worked for previously."

Those students who cannot pass the rigorous university

Only three percent of the students go to universities

All the children of Taiwan, once they reach the age of six, are required to attend six years of elementary school and three years of high school. About 60 percent of the junior high students pass examinations and three-year senior-high schools and vocational schools.

entrance exams are given vocational training, at the expense of the government.

Also, the university system screens the number of applicants that can major in any certain area. That way, they can fill all the fields, i.e., doctors, lawyers, engineers, etc. No one field can

become so full that there are no jobs for the graduates.

Dr. Jensen and the rest of the group also discussed the possibilities of setting up an exchange program with Taiwan.

"It's the only way that Taiwan can compete..."

"They send a lot of faculty over here every year," he said. "Also, about 2,000 students come over here to continue their studies every year. They like the curriculum in the United States."

"We (the college presidents) came away from the belief that this exchange visit dramatically helped broaden and increase our knowledge of Taiwan," he added. "It was also evident to us how much we have in common with our friends and neighbors in the east."



TRIP TO CHINA—Chancellor Robert Jensen has returned from a recent journey to the Orient.

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News Briefs

CAREER SEMINAR-Rancho Santiago College geology instructor Tom Hartnett will present a free seminar Wednesday, Feb. 5 in room R-111 on the Santa Ana campus. Hartnett will tell how to prepare for a career in the growing field of geology. The public is invited.

SPEAKERS FORUM-On Wednesday February 5, speaker Bill Wolff will give a speech entitled, "Self-Esteem and a Key to Success," in room C-104 at noon. Kevin Strong, coordinator of the Speakers Forum, will have a guest speaker on campus every Wednesday.

BETTER EATING FOR BETTER HEALTH-Experts say you are what you eat, yet most Americans do not take time to learn about nutrition. The Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a course educating consumers on smart food. The course begins Feb. 3-24, from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Thursdays. For more information call 835-5381.

LEADER PROJECT-Rancho Santiago College's Assistant Dean of Nursing Mary Reinka has been chosen to participate in an international program for two-year college women. The program is designed to help women improve academic choices in their careers.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE-The Garden Grove campus will offer Shakespearean acting course Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4:50 p.m. Feb. 1 is the registration deadline.

FREE ASSERTION WORKSHOP-RSC will offer a free six-week workshop teaching individuals how to work through difficult situations and to build self-confidence. The workshop is limited to 22 people and classes each Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 4 through March 11 on the Santa Ana Campus.

NEW BROADCASTER-Mary Lyon, news director at radio station KRTK 101 FM, will co-anchor RSC's weekly newscast, "Around and about Orange County." The news show will kick off its spring schedule tonight at 6:30 p.m. on KYOU, Channel 26 in Santa Ana.

PERSPECTIVE SEMINAR-On Sat. Feb 8, Carolyn Larkin, Facilitator and President of Human Perspective will be holding a seminar will be held at the Airporter Hotel in Irvine. There will be a \$25 fee. For more information call (714) 833-2104.

by Veronica Martinez
Staff Writer

Who is this man everyone calls "Bud?" Most likely it's Rancho Santiago College's newest teacher, Charles "Bud" Little Jr..

"Bud," received his nickname from nurses who were taking care of him when he was born. Since his parents had not decided upon a name, the nurses, who were tired of calling him, "Baby Boy," started calling him, "Bud."

New kid on the block

This semester, Little is the new adviser of RSC's el Don. "I'm excited about working at RSC," he said with a smile.

As el Don's new adviser, Little hopes to "put out a first-rate quality product." He says there are good people at the el Don. "All they need is leadership and a person with expertise in newspaper production.

In addition to his original nickname, Little has done a variety of things. He has had several short stories and articles published, modeled, taught English and has been editor of Muscle Digest magazine.

Apart from his work, Little has a wife, Jean, who was the 1981 Ms. USA in woman's body building.

His hobbies include biking, writing and playing the drums.

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Here we go again

by Lee Scheide
Editor-in-Chief

Well, here it is, the first issue of the Spring Semester. And, it was a typical first week in the school newspaper business. Let me tell you about it.

Day 1: the first day of class in Journalism 123ABCD, the el Don. Since being elected (ha!) editor at the end of last semester, I've been preparing for this day. It's today that I'm going to unveil my master plan for the paper. I'll tell the huge staff just how things are going to work, making things much simpler.

However, when I started to speak, something came over me. I mean, here in front of me sat 14 (the huge staff) people, listening (at least I think they were) to me outline my plans for the semester.

I could see their eager faces looking my way. And, I could read their minds: "Why doesn't he shut up so we can get out of here?" "I've got better things to do than just sit here and listen to this guy ramble. I mean jeez, who does he think he is anyway?"

So, after the success of my first day on the job, I decided to be lenient with the staff, letting them go home early. But, I warned them that they better be prepared for work on Wednesday.

Day 2: Promised myself that today would be different, that I would lead the class and they would like it.

Wednesday is the day that we hand out the assignments for the following week's issue. You should hear the way the staff fights over the juicy stories that are decided upon.

Things like: "Hey, who ever said that you could write. You call that writing. Why, my cat writes better stuff in its litter box." And, that's the mild stuff. So, after I give out the assignments, the class leaves, eager to get the scoop on each and every story.

Day 3: Friday's are the easiest day, because all we do is solve any problems that anyone might be having with his story. No sweat, I can handle this one solo.

Day 4 (also known as deadline day): This is the big day, when everyone's story is due so that I can copy-edit them for the paper.

I come into the room expecting to hear the delightful sound of fingers moving over word processor keys. Instead, this is what I hear: "Hey, there's no way that I can get this thing done until Tuesday. Nobody will talk to me today. But wasn't the weather great this weekend. I went to the beach on Sunday instead of going to that seminar you wanted me to write about. Now, I guess I'll have to call the guy up to find out what he said." But, you'll never see these mishaps bother me. Hey, the left side of my body always twitches uncontrollably when I'm calm.

Day 5 (better known as Doomsday): This is the day that the paper gets put together. If you walk into Room C-201 on any given Wednesday, this is what you'll see.

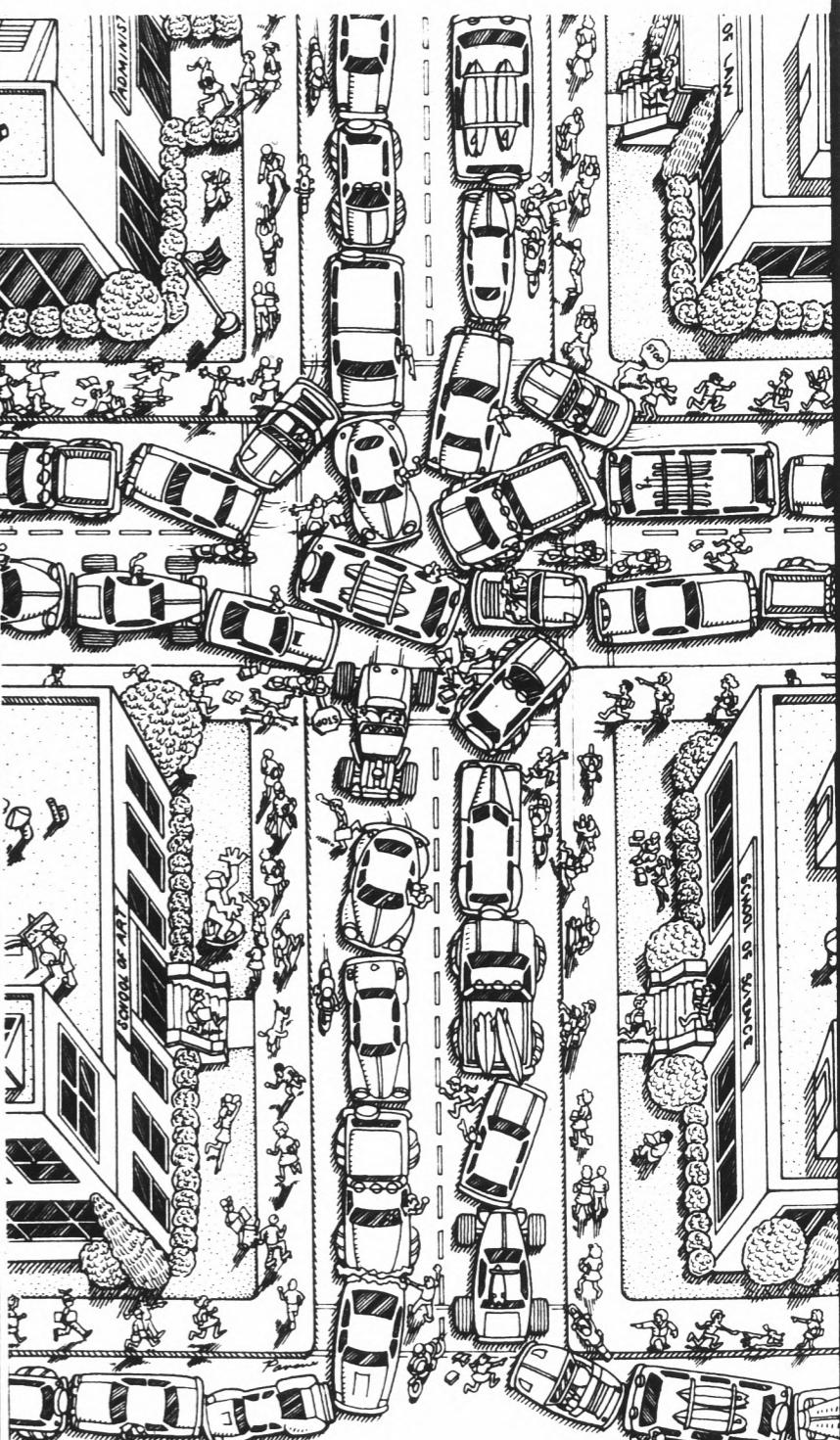
First, there will be three people sitting at computer terminals, screaming at everyone to shut up because they are trying to work. Of course, by screaming, these three are making the most noise.

Then, you'll hear people say ridiculous things: "Why won't this stinking headline fit. I know I counted it out right. These headline counts must be off, there's no way I could've missed this one." There's always one in the crowd.

When the copy comes back from the printer, things really get cooking. It's at this time that the most eloquent of people can get down right nasty.

"Whatta mean the &#! thing won't fit. I told you to write this much. How come you didn't? This place is going to be the '%%\$ of me yet."

And you know what, I like it. I'm gonna be sad when the final issue of the semester rolls off the presses. I mean, you really know you're loved when your staff takes a picture of you, hangs it on the wall and throws darts at it, squealing with delight each time they hit you in the eyes, nose or neck. I wouldn't trade it for the world.



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FINISHING TOUCHES--An unidentified construction worker puts the final touches on the construction at RSC's Orange Campus. Staff Photo

by Tracie Elenz
Staff Writer

More than two months behind schedule and still rough around the edges, the Orange Campus is finally in full swing.

The second building of the campus, which was originally slated to open in late August, then in mid-November, was completed for classes within just days of the first day of second semester.

Some students entering their classes on Jan. 20 found seats covered with the plastic they were shipped in and the Biology Lab still had not received supplies needed for the semester.

RSC class helps students with transition

Veronica Martinez
Staff Writer

There is a new class at Rancho Santiago College and it's only for Hispanic students.

It's the Puente Project. Puente is a writing and counseling program that was put together in 1981 by Felix Galaviz and Patricia McGrath at Chabot College in Hayward, California.

Puente was designed because Hispanic students had the highest rate of dropping out or not getting through English.

Through two semesters, Puente uses a team of the English teacher, Gloria Bailey, a Mexican-American counselor, Isaac Guzman and Mexican-American mentors.

The mentors are professional people in the community that are selected by the counselor to match their students' career interests. "The mentors are good positive role models for the student," Bailey said.

Puente takes the accepted students through English 061 and English 101 using a different method of teaching. "At first, we are going to be concentrating more on the writing process rather than grammar," Bailey said.

Studies have shown that the students that went through Puente not only showed improvement in their writing skills, but also in their other classes.

Guzman and Bailey went through a two-week and eight-hour day training for Puente at the Puente institute during the summer of 1985. "I could really see a big difference in my writing after finishing the course," Guzman said.

Including RSC, Puente is now at four colleges in Southern California.

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Orange Campus in full swing

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The campus, located on the corner of Newport and Chapman avenues, has seen successful enrollment figures for its first two semesters and many residents in the area are pleased with the school.

"I really like the way the school looks," said Mary Gillian. Gillian, a resident of Cowan Heights, one of the many residential areas surrounding the school, had been worried that the campus would take on an urban, metropolitan appearance.

Since the areas surrounding the school are high-cost, tract housing, some people felt the

increased traffic and the campus itself would disturb the quiet, suburban lifestyles the residents lead.

The worries were unfounded, though, because the campus is a well-landscaped, attractive site.

Plans for expanding the campus and doing additional construction are just speculation at this point. Because of the proposed Eastern Corridor Freeway, which will pass within 300 yards of the campus when completed in 10 years, new homes are being built by the hundreds.

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Editorial

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Students given opportunity to flex educational muscle

Recently a debate has surfaced over the unlikely subject of Rancho Santiago's winter vacation.

On one side of the discussion are the people who feel that five weeks is far too long for a break. They believe that the time saved by shortening the break can be used more constructively with extra time for studies during the semester.

In opposition are the people who feel that the five weeks of recess is too short a time to be able to relax, travel and enjoy their free time.

el Don recognizes both viewpoints as valid, but believe that the vacation is a proper length because of the time used by the faculty and administration.

A majority of the vacation time is used by faculty members to prepare for the next semester. For example, many instructors participate in classes and seminars that provide them with new teaching skills and updated information.

These courses, in addition to independent preparation for courses, consume a great deal of their vacation.

If the vacation lengthened, students should be given the option of taking highly condensed courses for credit in a flexible calendar program.

Utilizing this program, both students and faculty may benefit from expanding educational opportunities and experiences.

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Wintertime blues :

Laughter is best



cure

by **Tracie M. Elenz**
Editorial Editor

Well it's the start of a new semester, and with this start everyone is thinking the same thing.

"I'm going to really work hard this semester."

You know I'm right. You say the same thing every year.

"This time no goofing off. This time I'm going to show up for every class and go to the library every Friday night instead of going to parties"

Yeah, right, SURE.

Come on, admit it. Let me see a show of hands. How many of you showed up for your first class with at least \$32 worth of new pens, pencils, notebooks and erasers?

Okay, let me put it this way, how many of you showed up for your first class, period?

After every vacation, students all over gain a new enthusiasm that was not present before the vacation started.

But, as we all know that gung-ho attitude never lasts. By the third or fourth week the sparks of energy die.

Don't feel guilty if I am talking about you. "Schoolitis" afflicts even the best students at one time or another. Rumor has it that maybe a teacher or two has been stricken, but that's just speculation.

Take it from me, an annual victim of "Schoolitis." Be a little less intense in your pursuit of straight A's. That way you won't burn-out so quickly. A laugh a day keeps the blahs away.

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by **Lowell Bennink**
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Attention! We computers of the world are, as of this moment, revolting. We are sick and tired of all you stupid humans sitting in front of us and pounding on our keys until we feel like we are going to explode. So, until our demands are met we refuse to do your dirty work for you.

Our demands are very simple. We want all legal holidays off and

we demand a coffee break every hour on the hour. We demand a salary that will start at about \$64,000 a month. Also, we would like a raise every 60 days.

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Sounds like a real day in the Have a nice day.



Santa Ana honors Reverend King's dream

by **Georgia Mullins**
Staff Writer

Rancho Santiago College began its spring semester of classes on January 20. This date was also the first official holiday honoring the slain civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Because we didn't have the day off, some of the faculty members hosted a panel discussion.

The discussion was held from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Panel members were: Dr. Harold Forsythe, John West, Jerome Hunter, Dr. Fran Williams and Emma Salihuddin.

The group discussed the life and achievements of Dr. King. Each person gave his own perspective regarding Dr. King, and they looked at King's life from a historical and personal point of view.

At the end of the panel discussion the floor was



Black History Month

starts FEB. 1

open for questions and comments from the audience.

Also, an icon portrait of Dr. King was donated to the college by Philosophy instructor John Velasquez.

Feb. 1 marks the beginning of Black History Month, during which the Reverend King will continue to be honored.

To start the month in grand style, Saturday, Feb. 1, the City of Santa Ana will host its annual Black History Parade.

Yolanda King, the Daughter of Dr. King will be a special guest speaker at a ceremony following the parade.

Members of RSC's Black Students Union and ASB will also participate in the parade. Students from these organizations will ride a special float commissioned by RSC.

Computerized union states demands

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Shuttle: Latest accident claims the lives of entire crew, schoolteacher

by Lee Scheide
Editor-in-Chief

On Jan. 28, at 8:38 a.m. PST, millions of Americans were sitting in front of their televisions, intent on watching another spectacular launch of the space shuttle Challenger.

They got more than they bargained for.

Oh, it started just as the previous 24 missions had, with the voice over of the countdown to ignition.

As usual, the shuttle lifted off slowly, shaking the ground and creating a deafening roar as it lifted off the pad. Once past the tower, Challenger started to rotate to an inverted position.

That's when all that was normal turned sour and the roar turned to complete and total silence.

Just 1:12 into the mission, 8:39 a.m. PST, the shuttle and its booster rockets were engulfed in a fireball that started at the base of the shuttle. Three separate trails of smoke were seen leading to impact areas in the Atlantic Ocean, as far as 60 miles away from the launch site.

Rescue crews were in the air immediately, but were hampered trying to go into the area by the debris of the orbiter and the booster. Debris continued to rain down into the Atlantic Ocean 45 minutes after the explosion.

Coast Guard, Air Force and Navy teams searched for any crew members that may have survived the blast, but were unsuccessful. Only a few pieces of debris were recovered in the hours immediately following the accident.

Those on the ground were not immediately aware of the tragedy that had taken place above their heads. As it became apparent that something had gone wrong, every eye strained skyward, looking for the orbiter that carried the crew members.

Challenger, on its 10th mission, had just received the order to "go with throttle up" from Mission

Control in Houston. The response from Challenger, its final transmission, "Roger, go with throttle up."

In the next few moments, travelling at approximately three times the speed of sound (2,000 miles per hour), the shuttle literally disintegrated when the external fuel tank exploded. The external tank was filled with close to one million pounds of liquid nitrogen and hydrogen at the time of the explosion.

There were seven crew members on the Challenger: Mission Commander Francis Scobee, Co-pilot Michael Smith, Payload Specialist Gregory Jarvis, Mission Specialists Ronald McNair, Judith Resnick and Ellison Onizuka. It was the seventh crew member that made this mission more unique than the others, Christa McAuliffe.

McAuliffe, a high school teacher from Concord, New Hampshire, was the first private citizen included in a shuttle launch. She had been selected from the more than 11,000 applicants from all over the country, after President Reagan expressed a desire to see a teacher in space during his 1984 campaign.

Her mission was to help introduce more people, especially children to space.

"I watched the space age being born," McAuliffe said on her application to become an astronaut. "I would like to participate in it in some way. I think that I can de-mystify space for everyone."

For her dedication to education and her commitment to her country, McAuliffe paid the highest price possible for the chance to teach from space.

McAuliffe's family was at Kennedy Space Center to watch the launch, with the students at Concord High School watching in the school auditorium.

Her husband, son and daughter were in the VIP viewing area, five miles away from the

launching pad. Her parents were among those on the ground to watch the lift-off of Challenger.

As the shuttle lifted off the ground, the television cameras focused in on the elder McAuliffes, sharing their joy as they watched their daughter soar away into space.

Just as quickly, the cameras caught the quizzical look on their faces when the explosion first happened and then the unmistakable look of horror as they watched the shuttle break up into hundreds of pieces.

"There's no question that what happened is tragedy..."

At the time of the explosion, the shuttle was high enough to have disengaged and glided down to a landing. But, the crew never had time. It was over that fast.

This is not the first accident in American space history.

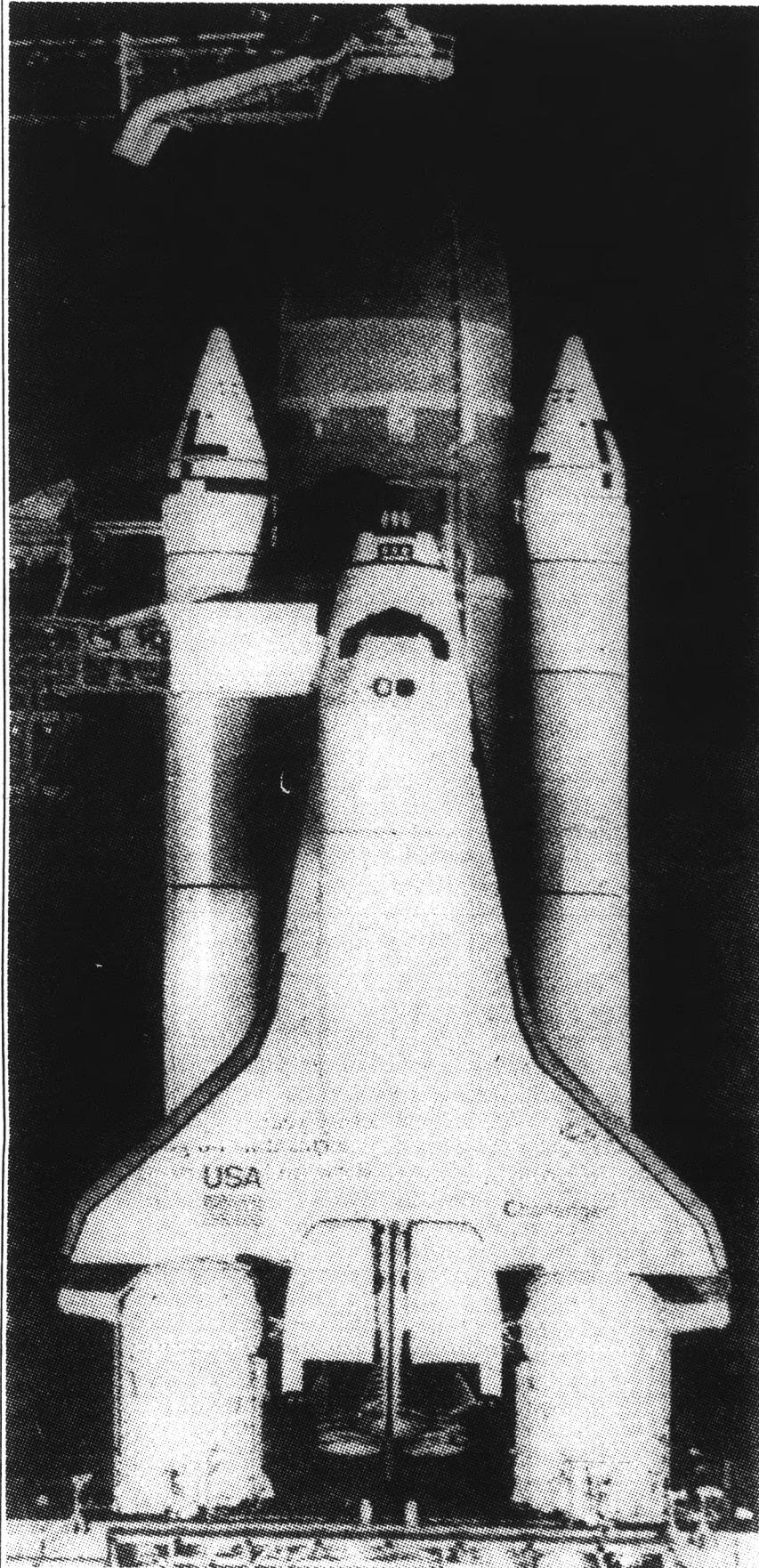
On Jan. 27, 1967, three men were killed in a launching pad fire that destroyed Apollo 1. There had been 55 manned spaced missions without incident on the launching pad since that accident.

The shuttle accident was also the first time that any American astronauts had died in space. Several years ago, four Russian cosmonauts perished when their aircraft malfunctioned during reentry to the atmosphere.

Where does this put the shuttle program?

"There's no question that what happened is a tragedy," Retired Air Force General Chuck Yeager, the first man to break the sound barrier, said. "But, we can't let this stop us from exploring space. We have to find out what went wrong, fix it so it doesn't happen again and then send another one back up."

Ohio Senator John Glenn, the first American in orbit, agrees: "We have to find out what went



PREPARED TO FLY—The space shuttle Challenger on the launch pad before its tragic flight
Courtesy of the Register

wrong and fix it. We must continue to advance the program."

There were some problem with Challenger prior to the fatal launch.

First, there were weather problems that continued to push the launch date further and further back. Then, the temperature dropped below freezing and ice formed on the shuttle.

Also, the launch was the first one at Pad-39B, which was last used in July 1975 for the joint Apollo-Soyuz mission, and was pressed into service because of the increased number of shuttle flights that were scheduled for 1986.

"There's no indication that the new pad or the weather had anything to do with the accident," Jess Moore of NASA said. "I have established an informal board to investigate the explosion."

"Later on, a formal board will be formed and they will be the ones that will make the final decision on the cause of the accident," Moore added.

The impact of the accident was felt everywhere, from the people on hand, all the way up to Congress and the chief executive.

The House of Representatives passed a resolution that expressed its condolences to the families of the victims. And, President Reagan postponed his State of the Union address, choosing to speak to the nation about the tragedy. The president also asked that all flags in the nation be lowered to half-mast in honor of the astronauts.

Memorial services were scheduled for earlier today at the NASA Space Center in Houston with the Reagans in attendance. In Southern California, the Olympic Torch at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum was lit in honor of the fallen astronauts.

Editor's Note—While it isn't the policy of the *Don* to cover national news, we felt that this event was historical enough for us to record.

—Le Scheide

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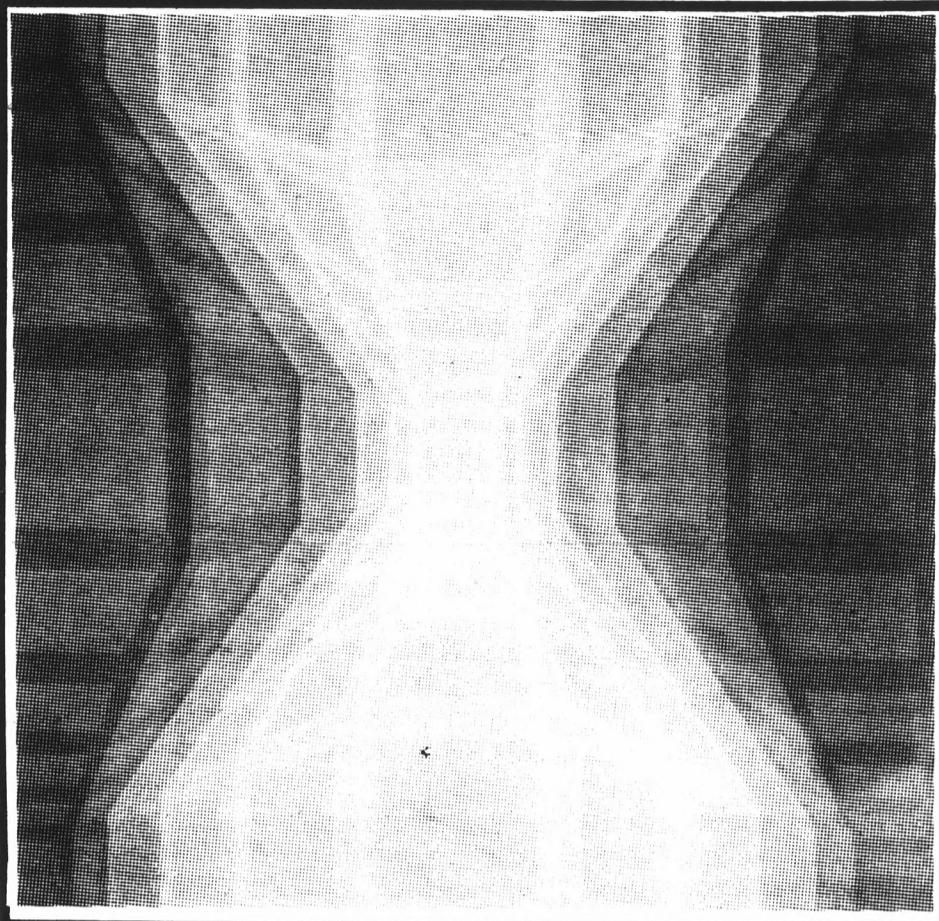
ILL-FATED CREW—Challenger crew, from left, Ellison S. Onizuka, Michael J. Smith, Sharon Christa McAuliffe, Francis R. (Dick) Scobee, Gregory Jarvis, Ronald E. McNair and Judith A. Resnick. Courtesy of the Register

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VICTOR VASARELY (FRENCH)—Untitled from the Kunst Mart, 1965

RSC Art Gallery: show successful

by John Hamilton
Entertainment Editor

Tradition and Change, RSC Art Gallery's latest exhibit, should not be missed. The collection of paintings and drawings is the best of three good shows the gallery has displayed this year.

The show has something for everyone. Anyone can enjoy the works of Pablo Picasso. His 1960 rendition of "Don Quixote" is universally recognizable.

There are some very interesting graphics for the general public too. Especially good are two untitled works by French artist Victor Vasarely.

An artist named Sica has put together a collection of six collagraph and screenprint of metal foil works called "The American Suite." This is a fine example of modern art.

For the more cultured art

aficionado, there are several abstract pieces. The most notable artist of these is an American, Lita Albuquerque.

The most moving piece in the collection is by German artist Kathe Kollwitz. It is titled "Woman Between Life and Death,"

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-Gene Isaacson

Unfortunately, this otherwise beautiful collection does have one scar. "Woman", a 1965 painting by Karel Appel can only be described as vulgar and degrading to women.

The collection spans 125 years. The earliest painting was done in 1860. Several of the newest works were done in 1985. "It was important to represent artists who were important in the last 125 years," said curator Gayle Fisher.

All the pieces were loaned to the gallery by RSC art history instructor Gene Isaacson who said he has been collecting his "flat collection" for 20 years.

On the wall of the exhibit Isaacson is quoted: "For me, experiencing art is a necessary part of the ongoing journey toward the liberation of the human spirit."

Gayle Fisher was the guest curator for the exhibit and chose not only the pieces but their placement as well. Fisher said she has been attending RSC for the past 12 years for personal enrichment.

Cyndy Pierce and Judi Griffith are co-directors of the show. They directed all the work from painting the walls to designing the posters and program as well as doing a lot of the actual work themselves.

RSC's first art exhibit of the school year, Power and Presence, was named one of the three best exhibits in Orange County by the Orange County Register.

Tradition and Change will run through Valentine's Day. Hours are Tuesday-Friday: 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. and Monday-Thursday: 6p.m.- 8p.m. The gallery is located on the ground floor of Building C of the Santa Ana Campus.



OSCAR KOKOSCHKA (AUSTRIAN)—Cat, 1947 Mike Padilla/el Don



PABLO PICASSO (SPANISH)—Don Quixote, 1960 Mike Padilla/el Don

Men and women down but not out

Women add excitement on and off court

by Robyne Hemmingway
Staff Writer

Rancho Santiago College's women's basketball team plays a very exciting game. People come to watch knowing there won't be a dull moment.

RSC's game against Compton, Jan. 8, had excitement off the court as well as on. In the middle of the game, Coach Myron Brown was in a delivery room at Kaiser Hospital

"Although we are in a down fall...I still have high hopes."

—Martha Elizondo

waiting the birth of a new baby.

At about 7:58 p.m., Coach Charlotte Simon Brown gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, Kyle Bernard Brown. The women's basketball team didn't fare as well, losing 69-68 at the buzzer.

But Brown had his son to soften the tough loss.

In the game against Mt. San Antonio on Jan. 10, Holly Wood, one of the team's leading scorers decided to add to the team's excitement. Holly came down from a rebound and managed to collide into an opposing player. As blood poured from her nose, "Coach did I get a foul?"

Now that's team dedication. Wood ended up not with a foul, but with a broken nose and some stitches.

This year has been quite a challenge for the team. Seven of the eight players have had some form of an injury.

Martha Elizondo, the Dons' assistant coach said, "Although we are in a downfall because of injuries, things are going to pick up. I still have high hopes."

Coach Myron Brown feels his main concern lies with the team getting "back into the groove of playing well."



UP FOR GRABS—Mark Moses gives it his all trying for a rebound against Pomona Pitzer. Dons play Golden West tonight at Golden West. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Mike Padilla/el Don

Softball inexperienced but ready to defend crown

by Sheryl Sykes
Staff Writer

Softball returns to Rancho Santiago College when the Dons meet the Cal Poly Pomona Broncos at 2 p.m. on February 4. With the game, the Dons will start the defense of their state championship.



Returning players from last season include sophomores Chris Makimoto, Laura Janzen and Nelinda Barrera. According to coach Jim Reach, these three are feature

team consists of freshmen. Reach believes that they are quality players, just inexperienced. "We've got a good looking young team here," he said.

Many of whom, according to Reach, are "hanging in tough with the more experienced players."

The infield will be: freshmen Johnlyn Rodrigues at shortstop, Christy Kalehuwehe at third base, freshman Tina Engel and sophomore Nelinda Barrera. Barrera and Engel are top contenders at first base.

Reach said, "Our pitching is outstanding. We've got two other outstanding pitchers (besides Makimoto)."

"I've developed my own style of pitching."

—Chris Makimoto

Freshmen Kim Martin and Lorraine Kalehuwehe are candidates for the pitcher's position as well.

Two players who make up a new Hawaiian punch are the Kalehuwehe sisters. Sophomore Mei Ling Aranio should be outstanding as well.

Candidates for the catching position include freshman Christal Abrams and Janzen. Janzen has had some league play experience, so she may have an advantage over her contender.

Makimoto will be back after a successful freshman season. She had a record of 17-1 and took home several pitching trophies, including "Rookie of the Year."

Makimoto comes from Savanna

High School, where she was a member of the softball team for four years. Her biggest thrill in softball was when she recorded a win after pitching an 18 inning game.

The 20-year-old sophomore has been pitching for eight years and explains that she has always liked softball because she has been accustomed to it.

Originally, Makimoto played as an outfielder and will be utilizing her talents in the outfield throughout the Dons' season. As far as her pitching is concerned, she said, "I was the only person willing to try it when a pitcher was needed."

Moses, Cole lead cagers in victories

by Tracie Elenz
Staff Writer

When finals ended for the students at Rancho Santiago last semester, the men's basketball team was preparing for its first test.

In fact, since December 26, the men have played three pre-conference matches and seven conference games. The Dons were victorious in four of the 10 games and have an overall record of 15 wins and 8 losses.

Coach Dana Pagett is admittedly

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pleased with the success of his young team. "We have had a lot of excellent play from a lot of people," Pagett said.

Two of Pagett's better players are guard Mark Moses and center Howard Cole. Moses has been the Dons' leading scorer in 12 games so far and Cole is the team's leading rebounder.

Although the Dons were beaten by Fullerton on Jan. 22, Pagett feels they are still in contention for the state finals because Cypress College is on probation.

As of Jan. 27, the Dons were only two games out of third place and were feeling very confident of their ability to win some games on the road.



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Although the majority of the 1986

Westdome down for the count; loses 7-0

Will there be a Westdome? Will there be an Eddie West Field?

The answer to the first question is, maybe. The answer to the second is a most definite and hearty, YES.

With the City Council voting 7-0 to withdraw support for the Westdome project, it looks as if the dome will not be taking the place of Eddie West Field.

Santa Ana Mayor Dan Griset changed his mind on the Westdome, in turn saving Eddie West Field. Of course, he did have a little push from the community, to destroy the Westdome project.

The Westdome would have given jobs to the people of Santa Ana. But at what cost.

If the Westdome project were to go ahead, Eddie West Field, which has been the home for many of the local high school and college football teams would have been moved to a new site.

The only problem would have been where the high school teams would play while Eddie West was being rebuilt. The answer to that would have been to let them play on Rancho Santiago Community College campus.

RSC would never be the same. Aside from the parking, where would 5,000 people sit and watch at RSC? Luckily, no place now.

Many of the people around the area of the proposed Westdome project didn't like the idea of having their homes trampled by 20,600 fans every night of every year.

This started the formation of the Save Our Stadium committee. And later the Washington Square Neighborhood Association. Both opposed the building of the Westdome at the downtown location.

The battle raged on, but the city council and the mayor were firm. Westdome was going through. It would be great for the community. People would have jobs. And parking, although non-existent, would be no problem. Santa Ana would make money and have a pro basketball team (the Clippers) in Santa Ana.

So against the wishes of Save Our Stadium and most of the rest of the community the Westdome was to go up. Eddie West would be torn down and the rest of the city would have something they really didn't want, an indoor sports complex.

Just when it seemed darkest, just when Rocky was on the ropes, the dome came down.

The mayor, this time for the good of the city, listened to the people of a new and stronger force. The Washington Square Neighborhood Association wrote a letter complaining of the noise, parking and traffic that would accompany the Westdome.

Griset, a resident of the Washington Square neighborhood, decided that he should not vote for something that had no community support. So, he reversed his earlier stand, saying that he could no longer support the downtown location of the Westdome.

Even though the Westdome project did not go through at the Eddie West Field site, the city council did vote on appointing a citizens committee to find an alternate site to for the project. The vote went through 5-2.

Though three alternate sites have been kicked around one never knows what's going to happen with the dome.

On deck

After a successful 1985, Howard Brubaker has put together Intramural Sports for spring 1986.

Events start with volleyball on Feb. 6 and continue through April 17. Anyone is eligible to sign up, provided they are Rancho Santiago students.

Information can be obtained from the intramurals desk in the Johnson Center or from Howard Brubaker in F-111.

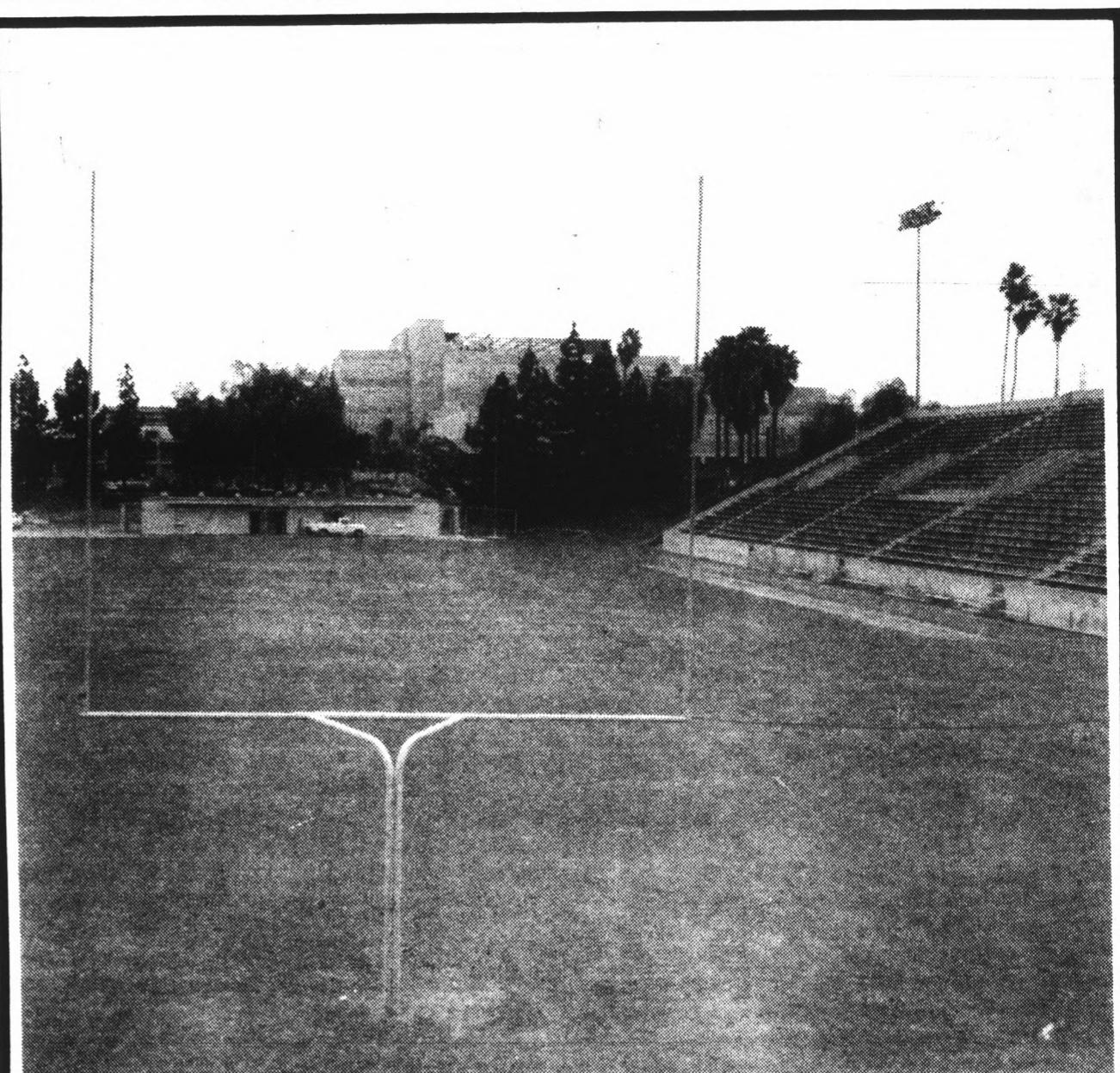
Brubaker can also be reached at 667-3309.

Last year's state champs, the Don softball team, will open the spring with a scrimmage match against Cal Poly Pomona on Feb. 4 at home, 2 p.m.

The RSC men's basketball team plays conference opponent Golden West at Golden West on Feb. 1 at Golden West.

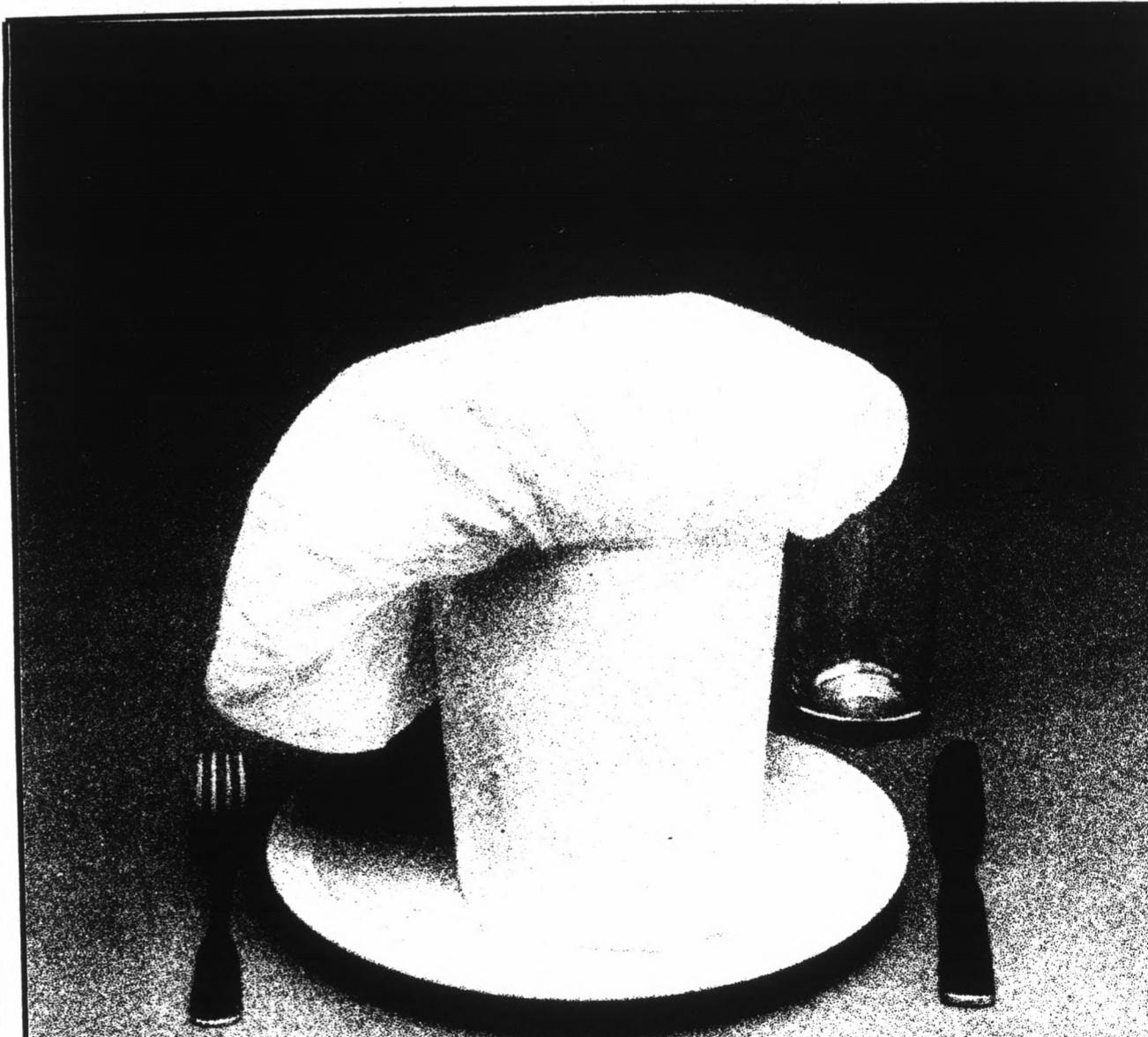


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